

## ABSTRACT

### METHOD FOR MAKING FLEXIBLE PLASTIC OR METALLOPLASTIC TUBES

The invention concerns a method for making flexible tube skirts comprising a step of making a cylindrical sleeve from a planar web including several plastic or metal layers followed by a step whereby said cylindrical  
5 sleeve is cut out to the desired length to obtain said skirts. It comprises a step prior to the step of making the cylindrical sleeve, wherein the web is subjected to a plastic deformation resulting in its being thinned by at least 0.5% or in producing a raised surface whereof the  
10 amplitude ranges at least between  $1/30$  and 5 times the thickness. The web is for instance passed through the air-gap between two substantially parallel rolls. Typically, the rolls exert on the web a force ranging between 2.5 and 500 newtons per millimetre of web width.

Fig.1